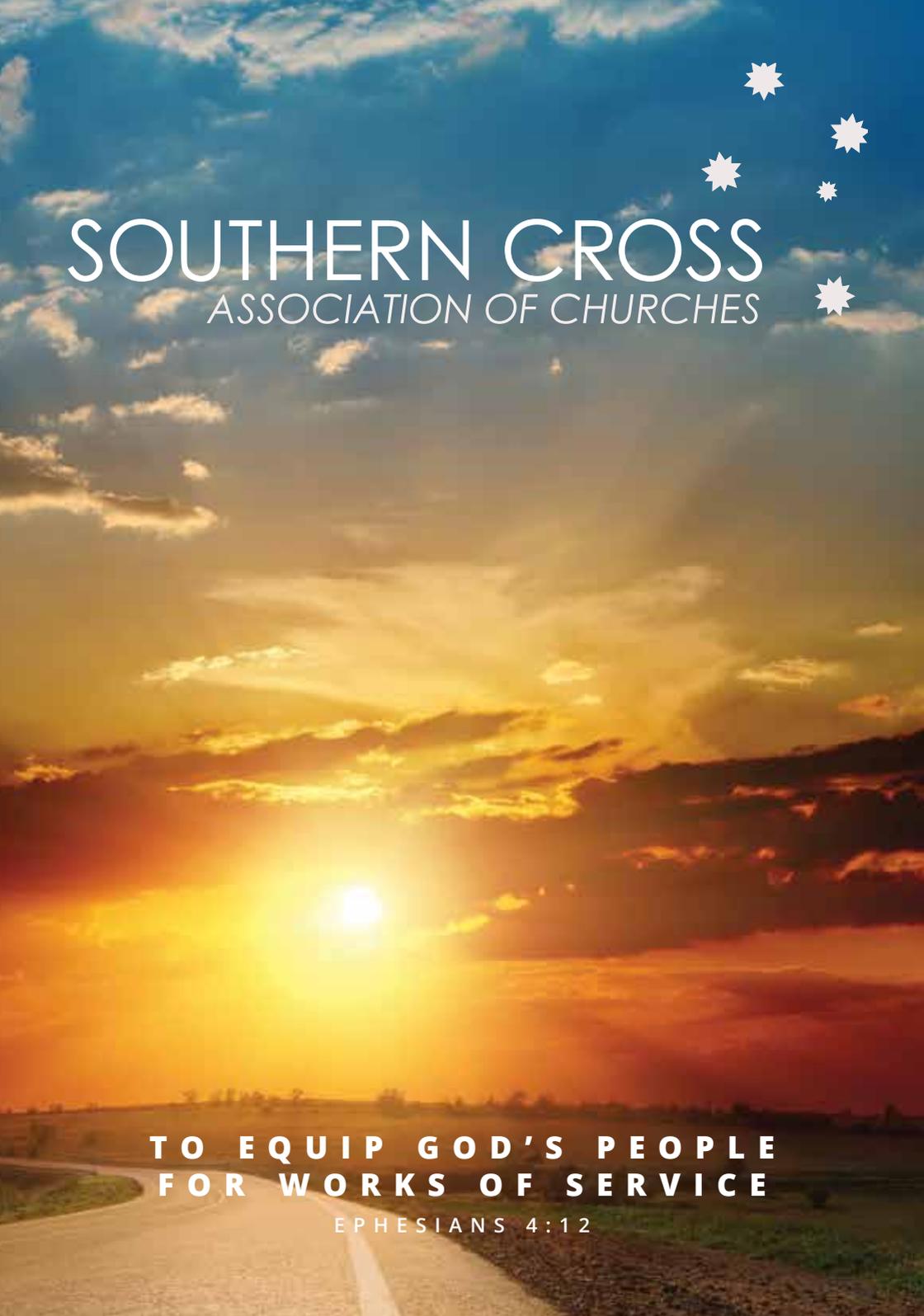




SOUTHERN CROSS

ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES



**TO EQUIP GOD'S PEOPLE
FOR WORKS OF SERVICE**

EPHESIANS 4:12



Welcome to the Southern Cross Association of Churches. The Southern Cross is a constellation in the Southern sky. Visible and distinct, the Southern Cross has for centuries been a directional beacon and symbol of hope.

In the twenty first century, an amazing era of God's grace is unfolding. We are entering a time of divine acceleration. God has released His Spirit to bring the Church into fullness and destiny. This is a sovereign work of the Lord to prepare the Bride for the Bridegroom.

John & Elaine McElroy

A NEW PROTOTYPE

Southern Cross is a vibrant, innovative, relational, international network of Christian Ministries. Our goal is to see God's Kingdom established on earth and to equip the saints for ministry. Southern Cross was established in March 1999 in Perth, Western Australia. Since then, we have grown to include over 300 ministries on every continent.

As an Apostolic Network, we are committed to the emergence of the

five fold ministry in Ephesians 4 to equip and bring the Body of Christ to maturity. We believe the Church's finest hour is yet to come.

Our members come from a variety of national and cultural backgrounds. What unites us is trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and the courage to step out in faith. We believe God has called us to establish a new prototype for Christian ministry based on four priorities.

1 Learning to walk in the fullness of our new identity in Christ. Our perception of how God sees us in Christ determines our focus and future.

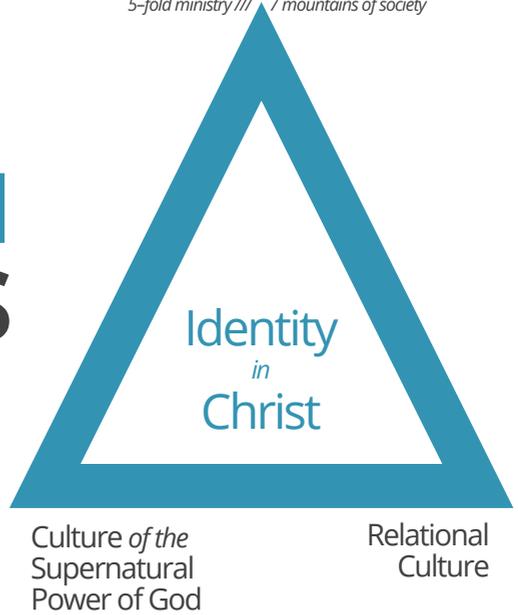
2 To establish ministries committed to passing on the baton to future generations of Christian leaders through empowering, and developing cultures of honour (Malachi 4:5).

3 To establish ministries where the supernatural power of God and fruit of the spirit is evident.

4 To see the Government of God established in the earth: Godly values increasingly influence seven key areas of society (religion, family, government, economics, the media, education, and celebration—the arts, sport and entertainment).

4 KINGDOM PRIORITIES

Government of God
5-fold ministry /// 7 mountains of society



Every generation has to discern what God is doing in our period of history. The sons of Issachar are remembered as those 'who discerned God's purposes in their time'.

In the days preceding the Second Coming of Christ, God is preparing a Bride (the Church) for the Bridegroom (Jesus). This means the Church becoming mature and effective in communicating and demonstrating the Gospel of the Kingdom. Maturity comes from an intimate relationship with God.

Helping people discover their identity in Christ is the Church's top priority. Our perception of how God sees us in Christ is the determining factor in how we live out our destiny as Christians.

The primary task of apostolic leadership is to enable men and women to "become mature, attaining to the full

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measure of the fullness of Christ" (*Ephesians 4:13*).

As our sense of identity in Christ becomes clear, we are positioned to accomplish three Kingdom priorities: establish the Church as a *Relational Culture*, establish a *Culture of the Supernatural Power of God*, and bring the *Government of God* into every facet of society.



SOUTHERN CROSS VALUES

Jesus Christ is the Church's only foundation and His Gospel is the heart of our message. Southern Cross has no formal doctrinal statement. The following expresses our seven core values >

THE BIBLE

The Bible is our final authority. Our approach to life and ministry is guided by the counsel of the Old and New Testaments. *[2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17]*

PRAYER

Seeking God, listening for His voice, and submitting to His guidance formed the very foundation of Jesus' ministry on earth. *[JOHN 5:19]*

UNITY

We are passionate about the fulfilment of Jesus' prayer for the unity of His Body and we work for Christian unity wherever we are. *[JOHN 17:21]*

EQUIPPING

Our mandate is to see all Christians be equipped and released to do the work of ministry in accordance with their gifts. *[EPHESIANS 4:11-13]*

SPIRITUAL PARENTING

We want to see the hearts of the fathers and mothers turned to their spiritual children. Our goal is to make disciples who make disciples. *[MALACHI 4:5]*

EMPOWERING RELATIONSHIPS

Empowering relationships should take precedence over programmes and busyness. Relationship is the basis of trust, and crucial to making effective disciples. *[HEBREWS 10:24-25]*

FREEDOM IN CHRIST

We respect God's call on the life of every believer and are committed to Kingdom relationships that are safe, respectful, honest, and genuinely beneficial. *[2 CORINTHIANS 3:17]*

The benefits of **Southern Cross** membership are numerous >

Official Endorsement and Ordination, Leadership Events and Conferences, Apostolic Consultations, Regional Support Groups and Cutting Edge Resources.

OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT & ORDINATION

The Australian Federal Government has granted Southern Cross recognition as an official religious organisation. This enables the Association to nominate qualified persons for marriage celebrant status. We recognise God's call to ministry through conducting ordination services for our members.

LEADERSHIP EVENTS & CONFERENCES

Southern Cross hosts international conferences featuring cutting-edge speakers who equip the saints through revelatory teaching and spiritual impartation. We host Leadership Advance events in various cities that bring together members in a retreat-type setting.

APOSTOLIC CONSULTATIONS

Southern Cross is closely connected with the Australian Coalition of Apostolic Leaders (ACAL). www.acaleaders.org

REGIONAL SUPPORT GROUPS

Throughout Australia, and in the nations of South Africa, Kenya, Mauritius, and Chile, support groups meet regularly to minister to each other. We conduct regular mission trips to visit and encourage these support groups around the world.

CUTTING EDGE RESOURCES

Southern Cross is committed to providing our members with advice and support with the most up to date, effective and Spirit-led resources. These include Alpha, 3DM, Sozo, Shabar, Relational Evangelism, Healing Rooms, Worship and Creative Ministry.

OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Southern Cross is led by the Director, Dr John McElroy and a team of regional network facilitators >

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BOARD OF REFERENCE

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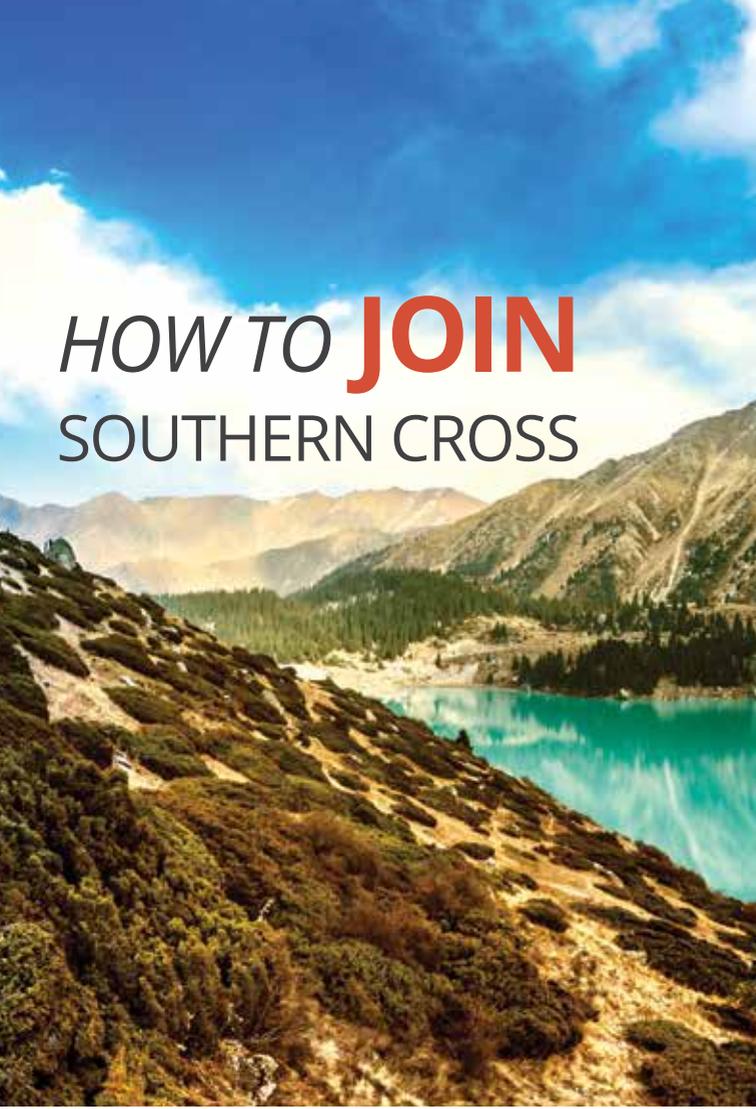
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HOW TO **JOIN** SOUTHERN CROSS

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE ASSOCIATION

The expenses of running the Network are met from membership fees, income from special events, and voluntary gifts. Membership dues are paid annually, July to June, and based on the type of membership requested. A full description of membership categories is explained on our **Membership Application form** and on our website: www.southerncrossnetwork.org.au

Prospective members can download a completed **Membership Application form** that can then be forwarded to the Southern Cross office.

Upon acceptance, new members will receive a Certificate of Membership and are entitled to all network services, discounts and benefits. Members will then be invoiced annually.

Applications are welcome from any person in Christian leadership regardless of age or denominational affiliation (pastors, para-church ministries, lay persons, Christian business people, students, etc).

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